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25X1 SUBJECT: GAPS IN KH-4 COVERAGE IN MC&G REQUIREMENT AREAS OUTSIDE SINO SOVIET. REFERENCE BRIEFING ON THIS SUBJECT GIVEN YOUR SOC ON 26 NOV 69. FOR BASIC CAPABILITY PLANNING AND FOR PRESENTING THE GAP AREA PROBLEM IN THE COMIREX-USIB COMMUNITY, INFORMATION IS NEEDED ON HIGH PRIORITY BASIS AS TO EFFORT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE CERTAIN MC&G REQUIREMENTS FOR KH-4 COVERAGE; SPECIFICALLY, INFORMATION IS NEEDED AS TO WHAT PERCENTAGE OF KH-4 FILM DURING C.Y. 1970 (APPROXIMATELY THE NEXT 5 KH-4 MISSIONS) WOULD BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE 90-100PCT CLOUD FREE PHOTOGRAPHY IN LINE WITH PRESENT MC&G REQUIREMENT CRITERIA FOR THE FIRST PRIORITY MC&G REQUIREMENT AREAS OUTSIDE THE SINO SOVIET. THESE FIRST PRIORITY AREAS SHOULD BE REDUCED BY AREAS OF EXISTING AERIAL PHOTO COVERAGE WHICH CAN BE USED

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SATISFACTORILY REGARDLESS OF PRODUCTION COST FOR HANDLING PERTINENT GAP AREAS; AN OVERLAY DEPICTING THESE AREAS WILL BE FURNISHED SOC THIS DATE. THE REMAINING FIRST PRIORITY AREAS SHOULD BE ANALYZED AS FOLLOWS: (A) TOTAL REMAINING AREA AND (B) TOTAL REMAINING AREA LESS THOSE REGIONS NOW POLITICALLY OPEN AND CONSIDERED POTENTIALLY POLITICALLY OPEN FOR FILLING GAPS BY AIRCRAFT PHOTOGRAPHY DURING NEXT 2 YEARS; AN OVERLAY SHOWING THIS DISTINCTION WILL ALSO BE FURNISHED SOC THIS DATE. BECAUSE GAPS ARE SCATTERED THRU FIRST PRIORITY AREA, IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF FILM WOULD BE REQUIRED. TO PROPERLY ASSESS SITUATION, INFORMATION IS NEEDED AS TO HOW MUCH OF THE AREAS INDICATED IN (A) AND (B) ABOVE WOULD BE COMPLETED IF THE ALTERNATES OF 10 PCT, 20 PCT AND 40 PCT OF THE KH-4 FILM DURING F.Y. 1970 WERE USED ON THIS GAP PROBLEM. INFORMATION IS NEEDED IN APPROXIMATE TERMS BY 1000 HOURS 2 DECEMBER. REFINED DATA IS NEEDED BY 8 DECEMBER, INCLUDING INFORMATION CONCERNING PROBABILITY OF COLLECTING ACCEPTABLE KH-4 COVERAGE OVER TROPICAL BELT.

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